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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121) mailed June 13, 2001, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 28, with the following:

-- The present invention provides methods of modulating transcription in a plants. The methods comprise introducing into a plant a recombinant expression cassette comprising a promoter sequence operably linked to a heterologous polynucleotide sequence encoding a MYB polypeptide. A MYB polypeptide of the invention can be, for example, a polypeptide that is at least